NORTH BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP MINUTES....

SPECIAL MEETING July 25, 2022

A regular meeting of the North Brunswick Township Council was held on Monday, July 25, 2022 (Via Live and Virtual Go to Meeting) at 7:34 pm in the North Brunswick Board of Education Meeting Room at Linwood School, 25 Linwood Place, North Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey.

Council President Davis called the meeting to order.

Roll call:

Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Mehta, Lopez, Andrews, Socio and Davis

Absent: None

Present:

Ms. Russo announced that the notice requirements of the law have been satisfied. Notices were sent by certified mail on December 30, 2021 to the following:

a) The Home News Tribune b) Star Ledger c) North Brunswick Sentinel

Notice receipts are on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office. Also, notices were posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Complex and filed in the Municipal Clerk's Office.

Council President Davis lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Also present: (Via Live and Virtual Go to Meeting) Business Administrator Justine Progebin, Township Attorney Ron Gordon, Esq., Director of DPRCS Lou Ann Benson, Public Safety Chief Joe Battaglia, CFO Cavel Gallimore, Director of DPW Eric Chaszar, Clerk Lisa Russo and Administrative Secretary Marilu Ruiz.

Mayor Womack asked council members if any items are to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to approve items 4a to 4b on the consent agenda. Motion made by Mr. Socio to approve items 4a to 4b on the agenda, second Council President Davis.

Roll call:

Present: Ms. Guadagnino, Messrs. Mehta, Lopez, Andrews, Socio and Davis

Absent: None

Consent Agenda

a. 216 -7.22 BillList

b. 217-7.22 Authorizing the approval to submit a Grant Application and
Execute a Grant Agreement with the New Jersey Department
Of Transportation for the Wheeler Road Roadway
Improvement Project

Reports from Mayor, Council, Administrator, CFO

No reports

Water Contract Public Hearing

Township Attorney Ron Gordon, Esq. explained the execution of Public-Private agreement with Veolia Water North America Operating Services, LLC for the Operation, Maintenance, Management and Repair Services for the Municipal Water System. The current Contract with American Water expires on September 30, 2022. The Township will pay the base fee for operation & Maintenance which is 1.6 million per year. The proposal would be a Twenty-year contract. Meetings will be held on a regular basis. Attorney Ron Gordon introduced all members present from CME and Veolia.

Mayor Womack asked if there are any members of the Public that would like to be heard in public hearing.

Township Attorney Ron Gordon, Esq. indicated that the public hearing on this water contract will close on Monday August 1, 2022 anyone can submit their questions to the Clerk's Office which will be forwarded to Mr. Ron Gordon, Esq.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to close Public Hearing, on the Water Contract so moved Council President Davis second by Mr. Andrews.

Regular Public Hearing

Resident Anthony Nastus asked about the amendment for Nassau Street Project. DPW Director Eric Chaszar explained that it will be a 3 or 4 phase project. They have not been able to find any leaks. The pipe line is very old and needs to be replaced. The process would be to do it in sections.

Mr. Nastus wanted to know who should the residents call for snow removal of vehicles and the Site Triangle. Police Chief Battaglia responded that they should contact the police first.

Mr. Nastus asked about 561 Georges Road. He was told that summons where issued and that the homeowner is responsible for fixing.

Mr. Nastus informed the Township that at 659 Hermann Road the garage in the back is falling down, 3 Laurel Place they have a file cabinet on the front lawn and 2 parked cars in the driveway. Police Chief Battaglia said that they will be doing a welfare check on the owner. Mr. Nastus wanted to know about the graffiti on Livingston Ave. Bridge. He was told that Amtrak has rectified it and that it is new graffiti. Councilman Socio told Mr. Nastus that Amtrak is very serious about trespassing on their property.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to close Public Hearing, so moved Ms. Guadagnino second by Council President Davis.

Mayor Womack called for a motion to adjourn the meeting so moved by Ms. Guadagnino second by Council President Davis.

Adjourn 8:08 pm

Lisa Russo Municipal Clerk

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